

REMARKS

Applicant has amended the Claims 1 and 4. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments to the claims are supported by the application as originally filed and do not contain any new matter. Accordingly, the Office Action will be discussed in terms of the claims as amended.

The Examiner has indicated that the priority documents have been received and placed of record, the information disclosure statement made by applicant has been considered by the Examiner and the drawings are acceptable.

The Examiner has rejected the Claims 1, 4-5 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being obvious over Yoneyama, et al. in view of Ozaki, stating Yoneyama, et al. discloses, in Figs. 1-3, a vehicle headlamp comprising a beam radiation unit that includes a discharge bulb 18 as a light source, an illumination circuit 30 that illuminates the discharge bulb 18 provided in a lamp body 12, and a cord 26 that connects the illumination of circuit 30 and the discharge bulb 18, wherein the cord 26 is held at a middle portion thereof, so as to be prevented from being moved with respect to the lamp body 12, but does not explicitly teach that the bulb 18 is rotated therein; Ozaki discloses a vehicle headlamp comprising a discharge pull 1 that sits on a socket 11 and which is rotatably supported in the lamp body (see column 3, lines 35-54); and it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify Yoneyama, et al. in view of Ozaki to make the lamp body rotatable.

In reply to this rejection, Applicant has carefully reviewed Yoneyama, et al., and respectfully submits that nowhere in Yoneyama does it show, suggest or teach that the beam radiation unit would be laterally rotatably supported in the lamp body. Still further, Applicant's review of Ozaki indicates that at column 3, lines 35-54, it teaches that the bulb would be installed in the beam radiation unit by rotating it and does not teach that the bulb would be laterally rotatably supported in the lamp body, as is required by Applicant's invention.

In view of the above, therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that one of ordinary skill in the art would not create Applicant's invention from Yoneyama, et al. or Ozaki, and there is no motivation, suggestion, teaching or showing in either Yoneyama, et al. or Ozaki that the beam radiation unit is laterally rotatably supported in the lamp body. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that the Claims 1, 4, 5, and 7 are not obvious over Yoneyama, et al. in view of Ozaki.

The Examiner has further objected to the Claims 2, 3, and 6 as being dependent upon a rejected-base claim, but contains allowable subject matter. In view of the above, Applicant


respectfully submits that the Claims 2, 3, and 6 are also now allowable as being dependent upon an allowable claim.

In view of the above, therefore, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be entered, favorably considered and the case passed to issue.

Please charge any additional costs incurred by or in order to implement this Amendment or required by any requests for extensions of time to KODA & ANDROLIA DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 11-1445.

Respectfully submitted,

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